

# **CITY OF MAROA MEETING MINUTES**

**JULY 27, 2015**

**CITY HALL**

**7:00 pm**

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Clerk Edwards. Roll call taken by Clerk Edwards. Aldermen Peart, Wilkey, Edwards, Kissinger, Underwood, Sims, and Mayor Agee were present.

## **Previous Meeting Minutes**

Mayor Agee asks if everyone had a chance to go over the minutes. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to approve the minutes for June 22, 2015, Alderman Peart seconded the motion. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

## **Police Report**

Chief Wilkey is present. Chief Wilkey discusses the monthly activity report with the council.

## **Attorney Report**

Attorney Antoline is present.

## **Engineer's Report**

Steve Bainbridge, Engineer, is not present.

## **Executive Session**

Mayor Agee asks Attorney Antoline if he would like to move to executive session at this time, Attorney Antoline states yes. The motion was made by Alderman Wilkey to move to executive session, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. Alderman Kissinger, Peart, Wilkey, and Sims vote aye, Alderwoman Underwood and Edwards abstain. Motion passed, moved to executive session at 7:06 pm. Treasurer Peters left executive session. Alderman Edwards and Clerk Edwards left executive session after discussion.

8:42 pm returned to open session.

## **Zoning/Public Works**

Mike Hoffman, Superintendent, is not present.

## **Old Business**

Maple park fines were tabled until the next meeting.

### **New Business**

Clerk Edwards asks the council if the fall city sale dates may be set for September 17, 18, and 19 with the usual times. Council members state yes.

Procedure for swearing newly elected officials, reappoint Diane Edwards collector, discuss raises for collector and budget officer, were all tabled.

Motion for Mayor Agee to appoint Matt Crawford to Zoning Board for a term of four years is made by Alderman Wilkey, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. Alderman Kissinger, Peart, Wilkey, and Sims vote aye. Alderman Edwards and Alderwoman Underwood abstain. Motion passed.

Alderman Edwards discusses the roof leak findings over the gym.

Attorney Antoline presents the prevailing wage ordinance and discusses. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to accept ordinance 07/27/2015-1, seconded by Alderman Kissinger. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

Motion for Mayor Agee to appoint Tom Stoutenborough to Police Commission for a term that expires April 30, 2018 is made by Alderman Wilkey, seconded by Alderman Sims. Alderman Kissinger, Peart, Wilkey, Sims and Edwards vote aye. Alderwoman Underwood abstains. Motion passed.

Attorney Antoline discusses the use of personal emails for city business.

Alderman Kissinger discusses the removal and replacement of dump bed on city truck.

Clerk Edwards states that Mike Hoffman, Superintendent, would like permission to order the plow for the truck now before prices raise. It is in the budget. Council approves.

Alderman Kissinger discusses replacement of camera for the squad car. The current one is not working. The money that was made from the sale of the seized car would go towards the purchase of the camera. Alderman Edwards makes a motion to approve purchase of a new camera for the squad car, seconded by Alderman Peart. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

Attorney Antoline discusses ordinance amending the municipal utility tax and establishing municipal exemptions. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to approve ordinance 07/27/2015-2, seconded by Alderman Peart. All council members present vote aye, motion passed. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to accept ordinance 07/27/2015-3, seconded by Alderman Peart. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.



### **Citizen Comments**

Sara Gentle addressed the board regarding the use of gym for fund raiser for the park program during the city sales. People will bring items to the gym so the Church may set up. They will put items in the gym beginning on Monday, September 14, 2015 and set up items. Council approved the use.

Dan Matheson addressed the council regarding sewer back up in his basement. Council instructed Superintendent Hoffman to investigate further.

Stephanie Young requested rock at the end of their driveway at the approach. Alderman Wilkey states he will talk to Mike Hoffman, Superintendent.

Richard Young asked if the excess rock will be cleaned up from the drains in his neighborhood from the recent road work. Alderman Edwards states that he spoke to Superintendent Hoffman and it will be cleaned up.

### **Committee reports**

Treasurer Peters states that we received our first installment of property taxes.

Alderman Wilkey addressed the council regarding leak at water tower. There was no leak found. The tower does need painted and is in the plan for next year.

Alderman Wilkey addressed the council regarding the ball field. The City of Forsyth has replaced their ball diamond lights and right now has about \$30,000 worth of lights just sitting. They are willing to donate to our youth league program. Would need a letter drafted requesting that the lights be donated to the Maroa Youth League and it will be presented to the Village Board. The City will need new poles to put the lights up. Steel poles are about \$3,000 a piece for 6 of them. All council members agree it is okay to request the lights for the MYL. Alderman Wilkey will draft the letter and send it to The Village Forsyth Board.

Alderman Peart received a call from a pharmacy company in Iowa and they would like to open a pharmacy here in town. The catches are, the City donates \$50,000 and provide the building. Alderman Wilkey states that he received the same call. The city would get 25% of the profits. The council states they are not interested.

Alderman Kissinger states he has been asked about the vacant lot by Dollar General and the weeds. Mayor Agee questions Sergeant Gaddy about the violation notice. Sergeant Gaddy states they are working on finding out who the owner of the property is so they may be sited.

Alderman Edwards asks about a car that sits on Washington Street. Sergeant Gaddy states it is tagged and has insurance. It is moved about once a month.

### **Bills**

Mayor Agee asks if everyone had a look at the bills. Clerk Edwards states that she does not have any to add tonight. Alderman Peart makes a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Alderman Edwards. All council members present vote aye, motion passed.

### **Adjourn**

Mayor Agee asks for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Wilkey makes a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Peart. All council members present vote aye, motion passed, meeting adjourned at 9:43 pm.

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Diane L. Edwards, City Clerk